

Response Under 37 CFR 1.116 **Expedited Procedure Examining Group 1725**

PATENT APPLICATION

Serial No. 09/455,574 Atty. Docket No. 3749-991620

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit 1725

In re application of

Aalbertus Pieter KROESBERGEN

Serial No. 09/455,574

Filed December 6, 1999

Examiner - Jonathan Johnson

SUBSTRATE WITH SUPER-

ABSORBENT MATERIAL, METHOD

FOR MANUFACTURE THEREOF AND

USE

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania February 12, 2003

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed August 12, 2002, Applicant hereby submits the following amendments, remarks, and Declaration Under 37 CFR §1.132 along with an accompanying Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time, Notice of Appeal, and requisite fee(s).

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02/12/03 Date

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER **BOX AF** Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Filing Date: June 12, 1999 Serial No.: 09/455,574 Group Art Unit: 1725 Examiner: Jonathon Johnson Invention: "Substrate With Super-Absorbent Material, Method For Manufacture Thereof And Use" Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. No additional fee is required. <u>X</u>_ The fee has been calculated as shown below: Small Non-Small No. of Claims Highest No. Previously Entity **Entity** After Present Charge Paid For Rate Rate Amendment Extra 0 X \$ 9.00 X \$ 18.00 \$ -0-Total 19 20 \$ -0-0 X \$ 42.00 X \$ 84.00 Indep. 2 First Presentation + \$140.00 + \$280.00 of Multiple Dep. Claim \$ -0-\$ -0-Total Additional Fee The Notice of Appeal and required fee of \$320.00 is enclosed. A check in the amount of \$930.00 is enclosed to cover Three-Month Petition for Extension of Time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees <u>X</u>_ associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. Please refund any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. An original and two copies of this sheet are enclosed. Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16. Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17. February 12, 2003 Barbara E comson Date Registration No. 31,198

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